



KSC Countdown
Thursday, October 21, 1999

A Message from the Center Director: "Following the 1999 KSC EMC Strategic Planning Retreat, I invite you to visit <http://TDNASA.KSC.NASA.GOV:1383/FetchElem/SrchMgr.pdf?rev=OCT-08-1999&dt=pdf&ename=AAPRES-0002&rend=pdf> and see that all members of the EMC have personally endorsed our future vision as a Spaceport Technology Center. (Use Netscape for best results.) We'll be meeting again this week to determine specific strategies to enhance our Roadmap, support the KSC 2000 Team in its endeavor, and further enable our ability to achieve the vision."

Construction of the RLV Complex (photo at right) is making headway as the framework for both the hangar and support building are going up. The complex is located next to the tow-way to the Shuttle Landing Facility. The RLV complex will be available to accommodate the Space Shuttle; the X-34 RLV technology demonstrator; the L-1011 carrier aircraft for Pegasus and X-34; and other RLV and X-vehicle programs. The complex is jointly funded by the Spaceport Florida Authority, NASA's Space Shuttle Program and KSC. The facility will be operational in early 2000.

FSI Seminar On Current Space Power Systems -- On Nov. 8, Florida Space Institute will present a seminar on "Current Space Power Systems" from 1 to 3 p.m. in the NASA Auditorium. Dr. Jeff Mitchell, KSC Test Management, will present an overview of current space power systems such as batteries, fuel cells, RTGs, and nuclear reactors; systems under development such as Tethers; and power systems of the future such as Fusion and Antimatter. For more information, please contact Carol Cox, Florida Space Institute, 730-2601 or e-mail her at ccox@mail.ucf.edu.

Make A Difference Day Project -- Space Coast Chapter of **Federally Employed Women** voted to help Pregnancy Resources, Inc. as their Make a Difference Day project. This agency provides free services to women (a lot of teens) who are pregnant and need help. Much of their support is in the form of training and the women earn points by attending different classes. With their points, they are able to purchase things in the "**Hope Chest**," which includes diapers and baby things.

FEW voted to donate two baby swings and two high chairs for their Hope Chest, and are also soliciting support in helping to donate diapers (**Diaper Drive**) or other new baby items. All sizes are needed, especially medium and large. On Oct. 23, "Make a Difference Day," FEW will present the Pregnancy Resources with these gifts. All are invited to join in making this event a big success, and **Make a Difference**. Please contact Becky Fasulo, at 867-6290, or e-mail *Rebecca.Fasulo-1@ksc.nasa.gov*; or Vickie Hall, at 867-7995, or e-mail *Vickie.Hall-1@ksc.nasa.gov* for more information. Or you can drop off the diapers or money for diapers to Becky (SSPF, Rm. 3018D) or Vickie (HQ, Rm. 2602).

Did You Know? Flu shots are available weekdays in the OHF (7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) and Cape Area Clinic (7 a.m. to 3 p.m.), as well as seven days/week at the Launch Area Clinic, MFF facility, (24 hours/day).

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